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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of: Sierkstra et al.

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For: Subtilase Variants

## **AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2006.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of 3 months from September 16, 2006 to December 16, 2006. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$1,020. Please note that December 16, 2006 is on a Saturday.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension fees, estimated to be \$1,020, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 18, 2006

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